# MINUTES OF THE COWETA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 6, 2014 7:00 P.M.

The members of the Coweta City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at Coweta City Hall, 310 South Broadway, Coweta, Oklahoma.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Robert Morton, Billy Embrey, Roy Dale, Timothy Kelley, Steve Garman.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Steve Whitlock, David Weatherford, Joyce Terry, Tom Tillotson, Hal Bumgarner, Chip Cohrs, Rob Werley, Paula Emmons, Tom Young, Greg Collins.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Morton.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance given.
- III. Roll call taken. Councilmembers present and absent as shown above.
- IV. GENERAL CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no City Council comments.

#### V. CONSENT

Motion by Roy Dale, second by Steve Garman, to approve consent calendar items:

- 1. Minutes of the Coweta City Council Regular Meeting of December 2, 2013.
- December 2013 payroll for the General Fund in the amount of \$259,822.82, and \$3,833.95 for the Self-Insurance Fund.
- 3. Application No. 15 and Certificate for Payment to Crossland Heavy Contractors, in the amount of \$269,927.11 on the Water Treatment Facility Process Improvements (Phase 2) project.
- 4. Appointment of Greg Collins as a second designated alternate on the INCOG Transportation Policy Committee.
- 5. Approve use of Wagoner County Fire Tax proceeds to purchase nine (9) sets of bunker pants and bunker coats at a cost not to exceed \$12,000.00.

Aye: Steve Garman

Roy Dale

Timothy Kelley Billy Embrey Robert Morton

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion held regarding possible action on an update on the current water and wastewater capital improvement projects. City Engineer Chip Cohrs advised that he does not have any new photos because work going on now is mainly electricians pulling wire and lots of other things that are not evident in photos. Mr. Cohrs advised that we are waiting on ONG to set the gas meter, that the backwash line has been tied in, and the filter media is being placed. City Manager Steve Whitlock advised that he is meeting with Mr. Cohrs and Public Works Director Rob Werley on Tuesday to fine tune items needed to complete the project, and will be bringing back to Council/Trustees, with additional costs estimated to be between \$50,000.00 and \$60,000.00 to finish the project. Mr. Whitlock and Mr. Cohrs also reported that the second belt press has been ordered. When asked about the completion date, Mr. Cohrs advised some time in March. No action taken.

Consideration was given to a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign a Temporary Easement with CELLCO Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for temporary access across a parcel of land located within the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 17 North, Range 16 East of the Indian Base and Meridian, Wagoner County, State of Oklahoma (i.e., Water Treatment Facility property). City Manager Steve Whitlock advised that this temporary easement will allow the contractor access through the Water Treatment Plant site during construction of the cell tower.

Motion by Robert Morton, second by Roy Dale, to authorize the Mayor to sign a Temporary Easement with CELLCO Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for temporary access across a parcel of land located within the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 17 North, Range 16 East of the Indian Base and Meridian, Wagoner County, State of Oklahoma (i.e., Water Treatment Facility property).

Aye: Steve Garman

Roy Dale Timothy Kelley Billy Embrey Robert Morton Discussion held regarding possible action on authorizing the City Manager to utilize Wagoner County Fire Tax proceeds in order to purchase a new squad and skid unit for the Coweta Fire Department. Fire Chief Hal Bumgarner advised that he wants to upgrade the Fire Department's grass trucks, and that it is considerable cheaper to purchase truck and skid unit separately. Chief Bumgarner further advised that he will try State bids, which should result in a purchase of a Dodge truck.

Motion by Steve Garman, second by Roy Dale, to authorize the City Manager to utilize Wagoner County Fire Tax proceeds in order to purchase a new squad and skid unit for the Coweta Fire Department.

Aye: Steve Garman

Roy Dale

Timothy Kelley Billy Embrey Robert Morton

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Motion by Billy Embrey, second by Timothy Kelley, to go into Executive Session.

Aye: Steve Garman

Roy Dale

Timothy Kelley Billy Embrey Robert Morton

### VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussions held related to a pending claim involving Rural Water District No. 5 v. City of Coweta, in accordance with 25 O.S. § 307, B(4).

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Motion by Roy Dale, second by Steve Garman, to return to open meeting.

Aye: Steve Garman

Roy Dale

Timothy Kelley Billy Embrey Robert Morton

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morton adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

GEAL OF COUNTY OF

Robert Morton, Mayor